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Chief, Lincoln

Chief of Station, Guatemala

Info: Washington

Kugown Operational Report

1. Enclosure 1 is a letter from [] to [] in reply to the letter sent to us as an enclosure to HUL-A-498
2. In compliance with HUL-A-474, [] contacted [] to ascertain his progress to date. The letter referred to in para. 1 above had already been prepared for delivery and contains a partial progress report in general terms. Additional data regarding his activities to date is contained in the following paragraphs.
3. [] stated that 200,000 copies of the Archbishop's letter had been printed and distributed. He recommends that an additional 100,000 could be used at once, particularly for distribution in the provinces. We will deliver the money for the printing of this additional quantity to [] through [] ([] calculated on the basis of \$10 per thousand copies).
4. [] advised [] that the subject of para. 5 of HUL-A-474 will not deliver the speech mentioned in LINC 1196. He believes that the speech would be an unwarranted attack on the communists without any apparent reason. If something develops in the near future to provide a political context suitable for such a speech, he will deliver it. Subject said he would prefer to write his own speeches on the basis of suggestions from [] as to topics of interest to the "group." Lincoln comments and guidance are requested on this matter. As a concluding comment on this individual, [] said that he is completely independent and there is little or nothing he can do if he refuses an assignment as he did in this instance.
5. Regarding the committee mentioned in para. 5 of HUL-A-474, [] said that he did not recall discussing such an arrangement in Mexico. He added that in his opinion such a committee would not be an asset at this time. He suggested, however, that informal liaison with the Papal Nuncio and other anti-communist diplomats might prove valuable immediately before action is contemplated against the present regime. For our purposes, your recommendation that this activity be minimized or eliminated has been accomplished.

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6. Through [] and [] has arranged to have the articles mentioned in LINC 1931 published in the newspaper of reference. They will be published as reprints, citing the source (El Rebelde). One will be published every three days. [] feels that original articles might also be published through the subject outlet, and you can therefore start channeling available articles to us for delivery through [] For your guidance, [] estimates that he probably cannot contrive publication of more than one article per week.
7. The two articles of a religious nature sent to us as enclosures to HUL-A-532 were also delivered to [] Action taken will be included in the next operational report. The enclosures to HUL-A-534 will be delivered to [] at the next contact, and a report on action taken will be made as soon as possible thereafter.

George L. Tranger

Encl: as noted

29 April 1954

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